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of

WEST CHICAGO

at

RUSH MEDICAL COLLEGE

For the Period of Three Years
extending from January 1, 1912
to December 31, 1914

WITH the CHARTER and BY-LAWS

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Location and Hours

The Dispensary is located in Senn Hall, Rush Medical College, 1744 W. Harrison street, and is open daily, excepting Sundays and legal holidays, *for the gratuitous treatment of the sick poor.* The hours for admission for each department are stated on pages 5 and 6.

Call at the Dispensary *when it is open.* Telephone West 112.

Membership in the Corporation

Any person who desires to assist in the support of the work of the Dispensary may become a member of the Corporation through election by the Board of Directors. Membership fees: See Article 2 of the By-Laws.

Invitation to Visitors

All who desire to obtain a personal knowledge of the necessity of such an institution, its practical benefits to the sick poor, and its claims on the liberality of our citizens, are invited to visit the Dispensary.

THE CENTRAL FREE DISPENSARY
OF WEST CHICAGO

ORGANIZED MAY 4, 1867 : INCORPORATED APRIL 1, 1873

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DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE

HOURS 8:30 TO 9:30.

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HOURS 8:30 TO 9:30.

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DEPARTMENT OF NERVOUS SYSTEM

HOURS 8:30 TO 9:30.

Drs. Thor Rothstein, J. C. Gill, Sidney Kuh, Peter Bassoe, G. W. Hall, Josephine Young, S. Krumholz, W. F. Dey, E. T. Secor.

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HOURS 10:30 TO 11:30.

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DEPARTMENT OF SURGERY
(GENITO-URINARY DISEASES)

HOURS 3:30 TO 4:30.

Drs. W. T. Belfield, R. H. Herbst, Theo. Drozdowitz, H. J. Polkey, J. G. Berkowitz, H. L. Kretschmar, B. Corbus, F. A. Bisdom, N. F. McClinton.

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MEDICAL STAFF.

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Report of the President

Presented April 7, 1914

To the Board of Directors of the Central Free Dispensary of West Chicago:

At the last Annual Meeting, owing to the largely increased number of applications received at the Dispensary, and the fact that, in the judgment of those who are closely identified with our work, we should add a Department of Social Service, it seemed wise to revise and adopt a new code of By-Laws. This was referred to a special committee, to report at an adjourned Annual Meeting. The adjourned meeting was called February 5, 1914, when the special committee presented the revised By-Laws, and after careful consideration, they were unanimously adopted. The principal changes are:

1st. Increasing the membership of the Association, and dividing the membership into three classes: Associate members, active members and active members for life.

2nd. In electing 21 directors at this meeting, 7 are to be chosen for one year, 7 for two years, and 7 for three years, or until their successors are elected and qualified. Hereafter, at annual meetings, there will be 7 directors elected for the term of three years.

The adding of several new departments during the past few years, and particularly that of the social work, will make it necessary for us to raise additional funds to enable the work to be carried on in a manner to do the most good, and I cannot too strongly urge the members of the Association to use their best efforts to increase the funds by inducing their friends and neighbors to join with us in this good work. You will see from the reports that our work has been carried on in an economical manner, and, in fact, I feel sure that no other institution of our kind has been able to do the work on so small a percentage of cost.

Let me assure you that I fully appreciate the many kindnesses and courtesies received from the members of the Board and the officers.

Respectfully,

H. S. Burkhardt,
President.

Report of the President

Presented January 19, 1915

To the Board of Directors of the Central Free Dispensary of West Chicago:

Organized as Brainard's Free Dispensary May 4, 1867, the Central Free Dispensary of West Chicago was incorporated April 1, 1873, at which time an alliance was made with the Rush Medical College. That the organizers of this great charity—which was for the purpose of giving to the unfortunate sick who were financially unable to pay for proper medical assistance, such care as they might require—builded better than they thought, cannot be doubted when we consider the thousands of men, women and children that have applied to us for medical assistance since its organization. The number of cases has steadily increased, until during the past year we have had 17,072 new patients and 62,372 visits; and yet, during all these forty-eight years, a worthy applicant has never been turned back from our doors. Could we but follow these cases to their homes, we would realize the large number who were doomed but for the timely aid extended by the Central Free Dispensary.

It has been necessary from time to time to add new departments to the Dispensary, in order that we might do more efficient work. The last department added was that of Social Service. This department would be a great aid to us had we the money to carry it on as it should be carried on. It would enable us to be more sure that we are not receiving requests for aid from those fully able to care for themselves. It would enable us to educate the families of the sick to keep their homes in a more sanitary condition, and thus not only hasten the recovery of the sick, but lessen the possibility of further sickness; but it requires more money than we have at hand. During the year 1914, we had 62,372 visits and less than $10,000 to cover all our work; while the best—or, at least, one of the best—of similar charities in an eastern city had during the same period the care of about eighty per cent more at an expense of approximately $65,000.00.

It is my desire that we should have a larger amount of moneys and we should all do our part in assisting the Finance Committee to increase the amount to $20,000 for the coming year, so that the work may be carried on in a manner that will be acceptable and pleasing to us all. Fully realizing the many calls we are all having not only for charities here at home, but to help the war sufferers of Europe, and now the unfortunate sufferers from the terrible calamity in Italy, we must keep in mind that every little helps and all do our part for the Central Free Dispensary.

There are some of our directors who believe a Woman's Auxiliary would be a great help to us, not only in raising moneys, but in placing our work more generally before the public. One of the things we much need is publicity. I would suggest you give this matter your consideration at this time. If a woman's Auxiliary is a good thing, there is no better time to inaugurate it than just now.

For some months we have been considering the advisability of securing a general superintendent, not only to have general supervision of the work at the Dispensary and the Social Service work, but to assist in giving the Dispensary more publicity and in the raising of moneys. Your Committee on Dispensary Work, who were authorized to employ the superintendent may be congratulated on being able to secure the services of John E. Ranson, who comes to us well equipped for his work from his long connection with the Juvenile Protective Association. You will have an opportunity of making Mr. Ransom's acquaintance during this meeting, and I am sure will all join with me in assuring him of our hearty support and help.

Thanking you each and all for your uniform kindness and co-operation, I am,

Respectfully yours,

HENRY S. BURKHARDT,
President.

Report of the Treasurer

of the

Central Free Dispensary of Chicago

From January 1, 1912 to December 31, 1912

RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand			$2,268.16
Cash from Investments		$1,558.49	
Cash from Dispensary		4,982.20	
DONATIONS.			
Francis Beidler	$10.00		
Fuller & Fuller Co	25.00		
		35.00	
			6,575.69
			$8,843.85

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries—			
Distributor	$820.00		
Druggist	805.00		
Record Clerk	514.00		
Diagnosis Clerk	157.75		
Janitress	450.00		
Nurses	300.00		
Electrical Treat.	240.00		
		$3,286.75	
Supervision		200.00	
Drugs		2,285.25	
Supplies and Expense		794.43	
			$6,566.43
Cash on Hand December 31st, 1912			2,277.42
			$8,843.85

To the Trustees of the Central Free Dispensary.
Gentlemen:

We respectfully report that we have this day examined the Bank Statements and Check Books, and compared them with the Cash Book. The receipts and disbursements were checked item by item and found correct. We verified the Cash Balance and securities as herein enumerated and certify to their correctness.

GEORGE MASON,
EMMONS B. COBB.

Report of the Treasurer

of the

Central Free Dispensary of West Chicago

From January 1, 1913 to December 31, 1913.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on Hand			$2,277.42
Cash from Investments		$1,597.38	
Cash from Dispensary		5,633.10	
DONATIONS.			
Fuller & Fuller	$25.00		
Miss Freda Dohe	10.00		
		35.00	
			7,265.48
			$9,542.90

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries—			
Distributor	$873.60		
Druggist	879.00		
Record Clerk	459.00		
Diagnosis Clerk	98.25		
Janitor	450.00		
Nurses	330.00		
Electrical Treatment	240.00	$3,329.85	
Supervision for 1911-1913		400.00	
Drugs		2,491.78	
Supplies and Expense		1,014.21	
Social Service		113.90	$7,349.74
Cash on Hand December 31, 1913			2,193.16
			$9,542.90

I hereby certify that the above statement is correct.

WILLIAM G. ADKINS,
Public Accountant,
706 Schiller Building.

February 2, 1914.

Per Edwin M. Fulcher, Accountant in Charge.

Report of Treasurer
of the
Central Free Dispensary
From January 1, 1914 to December 31, 1914

RECEIPTS.

Cash on Hand		$2,193.16	
Cash from Investments	$1,565.32		
Cash from Dispensary	6,370.35		
Cash from Contributors	627.00		
		$8,562.67	$10,755.83

CONTRIBUTORS TO THE CENTRAL FREE DISPENSARY.

Fuller & Fuller	$ 25.00
Dr. Frank Billings	100.00
Mr. Geo. Mason	100.00
E. H. Moor	2.00
Wm. L. Rohrer	10.00
Chas. T. Trego	10.00
Cyrus H. Adams	10.00
David Anderson	10.00
M. W. Teufel	10.00
I. J. Chalmers	10.00
L. L. Valentine	10.00
Edw. G. Ushlein	10.00
J. J. Glessner	10.00
E. H. Bangs	5.00
A. G. Becker	25.00
John G. Liston	25.00
H. E. Sargent	10.00
Mrs. G. E. Haskell	10.00
Arthur B. Farwell	5.00
Morrison & Plummer	10.00
Dr. J. Clarence Webster	100.00
Dr. Arthur Dean Bevan	100.00
Dr. Jas. B. Herrick	10.00
Frederick C. Bartlett	10.00
	$627.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries—			
Distributor	$ 905.00		
Druggist	930.90		
Record Clerk	536.50		
Diagnosis Clerk	112.75		
Janitor	450.00		
Nurses	420.00		
Electrical Treatments	240.00		
Social Service	1,215.00	$4,810.15	
Drugs		$2,445.96	
Supplies and Expense		2,021.03	
Social Service Supplies and Expense		87.90	$9,365.04
Cash on Hand			1,390.79 $10,755.83

I hereby certify that the above statement is correct.

W. D. ADKINS,
Public Accountant.
Per Edwin M. Fulcher, Accountant in Charge.

Annual Report of the Treasurer

of

Central Free Dispensary

December 31, 1914

SECURITIES IN HANDS OF TREASURER.

Four Auditorium bonds, $500.00 each, 5% interest February and August	$ 2,000.00
Two Chicago Railways Co. bonds, $1,000.00 each, 5% interest February and August	2,000.00
Six Chicago Railways Co. bonds, $1,000.00 each, 5% interest June and December	6,000.00
Mortgage on Rush Medical College, 6%	11,000.00

CASH IN HANDS OF RUSH MEDICAL COLLEGE (John Phillips Fund)

Three Auditorium bonds, $1,000.00 each, 5% interest February and August	$3,000.00	
Nine Auditorium bonds, $500.00 each, 5% interest February and August	4,500.00	
One Board of Trade bond, $100.00, 4% interest February and August	100.00	$ 7,600.00
Total amount of securities		$28,600.00
Cash		1,390.79
		$29,990.79

I hereby certify that the above statement is correct.

77 W. Randolph St.,
Chicago.

W. D. ADKINS,
Public Accountant.
Per Edwin M. Fulcher, Accountant in Charge.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISPENSARY WORK

Reports of the Committee on Dispensary Work have been presented to the Board of Directors for each of the years 1912, 1913 and 1914, and a special report was presented October 20, 1914.

The report for 1914 is here presented in full. The three previous reports may be summarized as follows:

1. Attention was called in each report to the steady and notable increase in the attendance of patients, as set forth in the table accompanying this report. The number of patients has grown to such proportions as to tax to the limit the resources of the Dispensary.

2. In the report for 1912, it was recommended that a department of Social Service be instituted; in the next report, such action having been authorized by the Board, the department had been established.

3. A Department of Industrial and Occupational Diseases was also created in 1911, under the charge of Dr. Emory Hayhurst, and was doing very effective work when he was granted leave of absence to respond to a call to Ohio to make an investigation of this group of diseases for the Department of Health of that state. During his absence the work of this department in our Dispensary has been suspended.

4. In two reports it was recommended by the committee that an Infant Welfare Station be established in connection with the Dispensary, and a committee was appointed to confer with the Infant Welfare Association of Chicago. Lack of funds has precluded the possibility of consummating this plan, but it is hoped that it may not long be deferred. Such a station could perform an invaluable service in many ways, and situated, as not one of these stations is at present, in a teaching institution, where the purposes and methods of this important movement in preventive medicine and social service would be brought daily to the attention of a large body of medical students, its influence would be far-reaching. Through the education of students, about to enter upon the practice of medicine in many different cities, it would doubtless result in the widespread extension of this great movement for the saving of infant life.

Report of the Committee on Dispensary Work to the President and Board of Directors, January 19, 1915

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Board:

Your Committee on Dispensary Work would call attention to the continued increase in the clientele of the Dispensary as shown by the comparative figures of attendance for the last four years set forth in the tabulated statement made part of this report. The total number of new patients admitted has risen steadily and rapidly in the last few years from 12,884 in 1909 to 17,072 in 1914. The total visits made annually by patients in the last six years are as follows: In 1909, 38,032; in 1910, 45,143; in 1911, 49,115; in 1912, 48,979; in 1913, 55,226, and in 1914, 62,372.

It is interesting to compare the figures in 1914 by departments with those of 1909 as showing the striking increase in the number of visits in this brief period. This shows an increase in the total visits made by patients to the Dispensary, as follows:

In the Department of General Medicine an increase of 70 per cent, in Nervous and Mental Diseases 4 per cent, Diseases of Children 60 per cent, Surgery 67 per cent, Genito-urinary Diseases 64 per cent, Diseases of the Throat, Nose and Ear 58 per cent, Obstetrics and Gynecology 86 per cent, Diseases of the Eye 39 per cent, Diseases of the Skin 49 per cent, and in the Department of Tuberculosis the enormous increase of 520 per cent.

The increase in total visits to all departments during this period has been about 65 per cent. Perhaps nothing could illustrate better than these figures the large and increasingly important place which the Dispensary occupies among the benevolent institutions of Chicago.

It is equally obvious that the great opportunity for service to this immense number of the sick poor, cannot be realized without a very great increase in its budget. Attention was called in the last annual report of this committee to the fact that in a large eastern dispensary, treating about 80 per cent more patients than does our own, the sum expended was in the neighborhood of $65,000, as contrasted with less than $10,000, which was our total expenditure last year.

The average number of visits, regarded by some as the best test of the efficiency of out-patient work, was 3.7 visits per patient, as contrasted with an average of 2.9 visits in 1909. The figure for last year compares very favorably with the record of the best similar institutions in other cities. The total outlay of the Dispensary for last

year, as shown by the treasurer's report, was $9,365.04, making the average cost for treating each patient 54.2 cents, and the average cost per visit 15 cents.

The Social Service Department, which was inaugurated just a year ago, has been maintained with some difficulty because of lack of funds. This made it necessary in August last to dispense with the services of the salaried worker who had been appointed, but through the great kindness of Miss Blatchford, who had been a volunteer worker since the inauguration of the department, the service was maintained until November, when she was obliged to give up the work. It was thereafter continued by Miss Warren, one of our clinical record clerks, until her ill-health made it necessary for her to take a vacation in mid-December. It is temporarily in charge of Miss A. P. McAuliffe, and it has seemed best to defer the selection of another permanent worker until our new superintendent has had time to familiarize himself with the work and the needs of the Dispensary, and can then advise us in the selection of a Social Service worker.

Pursuant to the action of your Board at its meeting in December, your committee has sought for a superintendent, and is pleased to be able to report that Mr. John E. Ransom has consented to accept the position. Mr. Ransom has been in the employ of the Juvenile Protective Association, which has done such notable work in the past few years in instituting methods for the betterment of the condition of children in Chicago. He brings to his work as our superintendent experience with that association and acquaintance with the character and work of many other benevolent organizations in Chicago, which will be of great value in developing the work of the Central Free Dispensary, especially along the lines of Social Service.

Your committee would again emphasize the fact that the one great need of the Dispensary is a wider knowledge of its important work on the part of the citizens of Chicago—a more widespread and deeper interest, and much larger pecuniary support. The institution has the best possible location, is admirably equipped, and has an exceptionally strong and devoted medical staff. It is doubtful if in any other kind of philanthropic work a given sum of money can be made to accomplish more in the relief of human suffering and distress and in restoring the unfortunate poor to health and to self-support than a dispensary or out-patient department, which cares for cases of ambulatory and for the most part incipient illnesses.

We believe that if the facts about the Central Free Dispensary are effectively and persistently presented to the people of Chicago, they cannot fail to respond with that financial support which it so richly deserves and so greatly needs.

JAS. B. HERRICK, M. D.,
JAS. H. HARPER,
JOHN M. DODSON, M. D.,
Chairman.

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1914

Department	General Medicine		Neurology		Pediatrics		Surgery		Obstetrics and Gynecology		Throat Nose and Ear		Eye		Dermatology		Genito-Urinary		Tuberculosis		Massage		Total		Grand Total	Paid 10 Cents	Free	Refused	Sex		Prescriptions Filled
1914	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old					M	F	
January	315	767	58	395	142	269	173	310	93	258	215	454	105	369	133	344	108	576	18	283	2	131	1362	4156	5518	4905	613	256	759	603	4700
February	225	639	47	309	158	225	147	216	71	256	181	396	77	267	130	258	66	519	36	260	1	72	1139	3417	4556	4030	526	224	634	505	4038
March	291	752	68	383	216	275	186	435	93	293	203	478	126	299	109	292	101	567	34	275	....	83	1428	4132	5559	4822	737	372	821	606	4588
April	274	621	46	357	210	315	186	444	90	280	195	436	108	243	121	325	79	443	30	253	....	91	1339	3858	5197	4543	654	252	734	605	4196
May	289	647	53	318	187	262	314	617	89	260	201	444	96	224	136	282	71	420	21	234	....	98	1457	3806	5263	4685	578	249	785	672	3999
June	345	697	65	296	182	241	267	595	117	306	209	410	103	187	140	292	71	405	26	232	1	84	1526	3745	5271	4685	586	212	795	731	3953
July	375	732	63	305	226	224	275	590	138	352	216	398	138	260	145	262	99	291	48	263	2	62	1725	3739	5464	4876	588	216	918	807	3861
August	318	741	69	295	202	226	283	680	131	364	233	409	129	243	191	269	93	424	29	245	....	51	1680	3945	5625	5176	449	241	859	821	3974
September	282	691	55	232	162	227	251	616	95	341	206	302	114	253	164	274	90	430	43	324	2	51	1464	3741	5205	4602	603	131	785	679	3747
October	277	783	45	305	182	255	248	554	128	349	185	384	121	288	139	305	87	467	30	286	1	57	1443	4033	5476	4895	581	134	767	676	3918
November	246	708	48	313	174	230	192	476	98	311	209	389	106	258	136	235	94	473	34	263	....	55	1337	3711	5048	4520	528	143	723	614	3864
December	226	707	32	224	116	203	171	387	95	325	194	299	67	199	128	209	103	529	40	261	1	34	1173	3377	4550	3949	601	130	700	423	4021
Totals	3463	8485	649	3732	2157	2952	2693	5920	1238	3695	2447	4799	1290	3090	1674	3345	1062	5594	389	3179	10	869	17072	45660	62732	55688	7044	2560	9280	7792	48859

SUMMARY FOR THE YEARS 1911 - 1912 - 1913 - 1914

	General Medicine		Neurology		Pediatrics		Surgery		Obstetrics and Gynecology		Throat Nose and Ear		Eye		Dermatology		Genito-Urinary		Tuberculosis		Massage		Total		Grand Total	Paid 10 Cents	Admitted Free	Refused Treatment	Sex of Patients Received		Prescriptions Filled
	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old					Male	F'ale	
1911	3296	6408	407	3489	1755	2644	2091	5256	658	1930	1583	3420	1145	2319	1403	2815	1278	4108	324	1911	8	867	13948	35167	49115	41162	7953	1943	.....	.....	38246
1912	3901	7005	242	2278	1952	2710	2020	5005	673	1719	1910	3777	1101	2658	1332	2529	1112	3163	243	1924	20	1105	14506	34473	48979	43579	5400	433	7951	6555	40399
1913	3780	7488	609	3711	1739	2457	2751	5239	889	2416	2212	4488	1262	2870	1380	2884	941	4179	402	2385	20	1124	15985	39241	55226	49802	5424	1448	8840	7145	44986
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Fortieth Statement

of

Dispensary Work Among the Sick Poor

of the

West Division

Organized May 4, 1867.

Incorporated April 1, 1873.

	From 1867 to Dec. 31, 1914, 48 years.	For the 12 months ending Dec. 31, 1914.
Total number of patients	590,158	17,072
Number of visits of patients to the Dispensary	1,290,063	62,732
Number of prescriptions furnished	1,256,657	48,859
Number of patients refused treatment	19,412	2,560
Cost of conducting Dispensary for the 12 months ending December 31, 1914	.....	$9,365.04
Received of patients	.....	6,370.35

Chicago, December 31, 1914.

HISTORY

The Central Free Dispensary of West Chicago was organized in 1867, under the title of the Brainard Free Dispensary, and incorporated under its present title on April 1, 1873. At different periods for nine years it occupied small rooms at 232 W. Randolph street, 79 W. Madison street, 95 W. Randolph street, 136 N. Sangamon street, and 239 W. Van Buren street. It was supported at first entirely by private donations. These were supplemented from 1870 to 1884, and at intervals from 1890 to 1895, by an annual appropriation from the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, ranging from $500 to $1,000.

During the two years following the disastrous fire of October, 1871, the work of the Dispensary was greatly augmented, especially in the out-of-door department, by the increased number of destitute sick. Much of this work was performed under the direction of the Chicago Relief and Aid Society, which, in 1873, donated to the Dispensary as a fund the sum of $4,000.

In 1871, the Herrick Free Dispensary was founded under the auspices of the Relief and Aid Society, to assist in relieving the destitution caused by the recent disaster. The Dispensary occupied rooms on Wright street, near Twelfth street, and confined its task to the care of the sick poor in the southern portion of the West Division.

In 1873, this new Dispensary, to which the Relief and Aid Society had donated, as a permanent fund, the sum of $5,000, was united with the Central Dispensary, under one organization. The medical boards continued in office, each with special duties. By this union the funds of the two institutions having been united, the endowment of the Central Free Dispensary was increased to $9,000, which was subsequently increased to $19,500, by adding to it a portion of the annual income of the Dispensary. The income derived from this money is expended in the charitable work for which this organization was created. In addition to this the Dispensary is the recipient of the interest accruing from a legacy, known as the "John Phillips Fund," and left by the late John Phillips, Esq., in 1869, to the trustees of the Rush Medical College, to be held in trust for dispensary purposes. This fund amounts to $7,743.31, and yields an annual income of $380.

In 1876, the Dispensary removed to spacious accommodations, in the lower story of the new Rush Medical College, corner of Harrison and Wood streets.

In June, 1902, the Dispensary was transferred to Senn Hall, 1744 W. Harrison street, erected for dispensary purposes by Rush Medical College. The Dispensary pays a nominal rental for these quarters.

At the annual meeting held April 1, 1902, Dr. Philip Adolphus, who had for many years filled the position of Medical Superintendent,

and to whose efforts the success of the Dispensary is largely due, resigned, and the changes in the management heretofore mentioned were made.

In April, 1914, new by-laws were adopted, providing for a large increase in the membership of the corporation.

The Central Free Dispensary is thus fullfilling the three fundamental purposes, which should be subserved by every charitable dispensary or hospital, viz.: The care of the sick poor, the education of medical students, and the extension of existing medical knowledge by careful, scientific study of the material afforded by the patients.

ACT OF INCORPORATION OF THE CENTRAL FREE DISPENSARY OF WEST CHICAGO.

1. We, E. A. Bishop, A. G. Throop, John F. Eberhardt, John Crighton, Ephraim Ingals, S. P. Walker, P. W. Gates, J. P. Ross, Charles E. Chase, Hugh Templeton, Samuel Hoard and Philip Adolphus, do hereby certify that we purpose to form ourselves into a corporation (not of pecuniary profit) under the act of the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, approved April 18, 1872, and in force July 1, 1872, entitled "An Act Concerning Corporations."

2. The name of said corporation shall be the Central Free Dispensary of West Chicago, and said corporation shall endure for ninety-nine years.

3. The objects for which said corporation is formed are to aid all persons who are sick and unable to pay for medical attendance; to diffuse vaccinations by continuous and unwearied efforts, and to do this work efficiently at a very small cost and with no pecuniary profit.

4. The aforesaid persons shall constitute the Board of Directors for the first year.

5. The business of said corporation shall be located in Chicago, in the State of Illinois, and its business offices at such place or places in said city as a majority of its directors shall from time to time direct.

In witness whereof, we have herewith set our hands and seals this 14th day of March, A. D. 1873:

E. A. Bishop.	[L. S.]
A. G. Throop.	[L. S.]
Ephraim Ingals, M. D.	[L. S.]
P. W. Gates.	[L. S.]
John Crighton.	[L. S.]
Samuel Hoard.	[L. S.]
John F. Eberhardt.	[L. S.]
Charles E. Chase.	[L. S.]
S. P. Walker.	[L. S.]
Joseph P. Ross, M.D.	[L. S.]
Hugh Templeton.	[L. S.]
Philip Adolphus.	[L. S.]

STATE OF ILLINOIS,
COUNTY OF COOK.

I, E. A. Sherburne, a Notary Public in and for said County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that E. A. Bishop, A. G. Throop, John F. Eberhardt, Charles E. Chase, Ehpraim Ingals, S. P. Walker, P. W. Gates, Joseph P. Ross, John Crighton, Hugh Templeton, Samuel Hoard and Philip Adolphus, who are personally known to me as the same persons whose names are subscribed to the annexed instrument of writing, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument of writing, hereto attached, as their free and voluntary act, for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal this 14th day of March, A. D. 1873.

{ E. A. Sherbourne, Notarial Seal, Chicago, Illinois. }

E. A. SHERBURNE,
Notary Public.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
GEORGE H. HARLOW, SECRETARY OF STATE.

To All to Whom These Presents May Come, Greeting:

WHEREAS, A certificate, duly signed and acknowledged, has been filed in the office of the Secretary of State, on the first day of April, A. D. 1873, for the organization of the "Central Free Dispensary of West Chicago," under and in accordance with the provisions of "An Act Concerning Corporations," approved April 18, 1872, and in force July 1, 1872, a copy of which certificate is hereto attached.

Now, therefore, I, George H. Harlow, Secretary of State of the State of Illinois, by virtue of the powers and duties vested in me by law, do hereby certify that the said Central Free Dispensary of West Chicago, is a legally organized corporation under the laws of the State.

In testimony whereof I hereto set my hand and caused to be affixed the great seal of State.

Done at the City of Springfield this first day of April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, and of the independence of the United States the ninety-seventh.

{ Great Seal. }

GEORGE H. HARLOW,
Secretary of State.

COUNTY OF COOK. } ss.
STATE OF ILLINOIS, }

No. 94,116.

I certify this instrument to be filed for record April 7, A. D. 1873. Recorded in Book 1 of Corporations, page 223.

JAS. STEWART, *Recorder.*

April 21, 1873.

BENNETT & SHERBURNE, 145 Monroe St., City.

FROM THE WILL OF THE LATE JOHN PHILLIPS, ESQ., MADE IN 1869.

SECTION 9.—"I give and bequeath to the Trustees of Rush Medical College, of the City of Chicago, Fifteen Hundred Dollars ($1,500), to be paid to them within one year from the date of my death; also the sum of Three Hundred Dollars annually while the said manufacturing business shall continue, both said Fifteen Hundred Dollars and annuity to be used by said Trustees in establishing and maintaining a Free Dispensary in and for the City of Chicago, and it is my wish that the same be managed by said J. P. Ross, M. D., as long as practicable, and thereafter by the Faculty of said College."

SEC. 17.—"At the final settlement of my estate [which occurred in 1886] it shall be divided into seven (7) equal shares. One of said shares shall be paid to said Trustees of Rush Medical College, to be used by them in furtherance of said Dispensary."

(The aggregate sums paid to the College were $7,733.81.)

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CENTRAL FREE DISPENSARY AND THE TRUSTEES OF THE RUSH MEDICAL COLLEGE, MADE IN 1875.—(Records of Cook County, Book 583, Page 266.)

The Central Free Dispensary of West Chicago and "The Trustees of the Rush Medical College" of Chicago, believing that the work of carrying on a Free Dispensary in the City of Chicago will be thus advanced, and that the duty of the authorities of the said Dispensary and of the will of the late John Phillips, of Chicago, to establish a dispensary will thereby in the interest of humanity be fulfilled, have entered into and do enter into the following agreement, to continue ninety-five (95) years:

SECTION 1.—The said Central Dispensary agrees to loan to the Trustees of said college, eleven thousand dollars ($11,000.00) [of which sum nine thousand dollars ($9,000.00) was donated by the Chicago Relief and Aid Society] for ninety-five (95) years, and to receive interest thereon at the rate of six per cent (6 per cent) per annum, payable semi-annually. The authorities of the college to give as security for said loan a first mortgage on their college property, which includes the lot (100x147 feet) on the northeast corner of Harrison and Wood streets, in the City of Chicago, and all its buildings and belongings. This loan to be perfected as soon as the college acquires a clear title to the said property. It is further agreed that should at any time one full year pass and the college fail to pay the interest on said loan, the loan shall, if the said Dispensary so elects, be terminated, and the full amount of both principal and interest shall then be due and payable.

SEC. 2.—The Trustees of the college agree to provide rooms for the use of said Dispensary in their college building, to be built on the lot above referred to; said rooms to be situated on the basement floor

of said building, said floor to be not more than three feet below the street grade; to be well lighted; to have a superficial area (floor space) of at least five thousand (5,000) square feet, to have a height of at least twelve, and be partitioned and arranged as the Directors of said Dispensary may direct and they do hereby lease said rooms to said Dispensary for a term of ninety-five (95) years. The Dispensary to pay such an annual rental for the said rooms, and for the proper heating of the same, as shall be fixed each year by the President of the Board of Directors of the said Dispensary and the President of the Trustees of said College, they to select a third person to decide in case they fail at any time to agree; Provided, the said annual sum paid shall in no case exceed the annual interest on the money loaned under the above agreement, and until all the moneys bequeathed by him for a Dispensary are available to the said Central Dispensary, the annual sum paid shall not exceed one-half the amount of the annual interest money on the said loan of $11,000. And the said rent shall be paid to the said College by being deducted from any actual payments of interest accruing out of the said Phillips Dispensary fund, which payments are made by the Trustees of said College to the said Central Dispensary according to the terms of this agreement and in no other way or manner whatsoever.

SEC. 3.—The said Trustees of the said College, to the end that they may establish a Free Dispensary in the City of Chicago, according to the provisions of the will of the late John Phillips, do hereby agree to pay and turn over to the said Central Dispensary the whole interest from time to time accruing out of the Phillips Dispensary fund, of which they are Trustees; that now in their possession to be turned over at once, and that in prospect as soon as they shall come in possession of it. The said Dispensary hereby agrees to use the income from the said fund in maintaining, as hereinafter specified, a Free Dispensary for the City of Chicago.

SEC. 4.—The said Dispensary agrees to establish and to carry on and maintain, in the rooms herein above agreed to be leased to them in said College building, during the continuance of said agreement, a Free Dispensary for the City of Chicago; the same to be carried on in the manner provided in said will of said John Phillips as nearly as may be and under such rules as the Faculty of said College may approve; such Dispensary to be established within six months after the completion of the said College building.

SEC. 5.—The said Faculty, by this agreement, approved the By-Laws and rules of the said Board of Directors of the said Dispensary, now in force as rules under which the aforesaid Dispensary may be conducted. But there shall, during the continuance of this agreement, be no change in said By-Laws that will lessen the amount and character of the Dispensary work done, without the consent of the said Faculty, and other changes being permitted. No person shall, at any time, be appointed Medical Superintendent of said Dispensary work without the consent of said Faculty to such appointment.

SEC. 6.—The Central Dispensary aforesaid shall see that, as far as it is practicable, during the session of Rush Medical College, the cases coming to said Dispensary shall be used by the attending physicians for clinical purposes, and that they, the said physicians, give the clincs faithfully and in the interests of sound medical education. The students of the said College shall not, during the continuance of this agreement, be denied admission to the same clinics, nor shall they, during this time, be charged any fees for the same without the consent of the said Faculty of the said College.

SEC. 7.—The clinical professors of Rush College shall be allowed to use any of the clinical material of the said Dispensary for clinical purposes in the College rooms, provided that this shall always be done with the approval of the Medical Superintendent of the Dispensary and with the consent of the attending physicians in whose department such material shall fall.

SEC. 8.—This agreement is not intended to deprive the Directors of said Central Dispensary of any right they now have to establish other dispensing stations in West Chicago than their chief Dispensary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Trustees of the said Rush Medical College do execute this agreement by the President thereof, and by causing the corporate seal of said College to be hereunto affixed, the attestation of the Secretary of said Board of Trustees being also hereunto subscribed, and in pursuance of a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Central Free Dispensary of West Chicago, the corporate seal of said corporation is hereunto affixed and these presents duly signed by the President and Secretary of the said Central Free Dispensary this ninth day of June, A. D. 1875.

L. C. PAINE FREER, President.
[L. S.] R. M.C. GRANT GOODRICH, Secretary.
[L. S.] C. F. D. A. E. BISHOP, President.
J. W. FARLIN, Secretary.

By-Laws of the Central Free Dispensary

ARTICLE I.

NAME, OBJECT, PLACE OF BUSINESS, AND SEAL.

SECTION 1. *Name.* The name of the corporation shall be the CENTRAL FREE DISPENSARY OF WEST CHICAGO.

SEC. 2. *Object.* The object for which said corporation is formed is in general as follows: to aid persons who are sick and unable to pay for medical attendance, and to do this work efficiently and with no pecuniary profit.

SEC. 3. *Place, etc.* The business of said corporation shall be located in Chicago, in the State of Illinois.

SEC. 4. *Seal.* The corporate seal of this corporation shall contain the full corporate name of this corporation. Within the circle shall be the words, "Corporate Seal 1873."

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

SECTION 1. *Membership.* Any person upon the payment of $10.00, and whose name shall be approved in writing by the Executive Committee shall become an "Associate Member," for the period of one year.

Any person upon the payment of $100.00, and whose name shall be approved in writing by the Executive Committee, shall become an "Active Member," for the period of one year.

Any person, upon the payment of $500.00, and whose name shall be approved in writing by the Executive Committee shall become an "Active Member," for life.

Only, "Active Members" shall be entitled to vote at any annual or special meetings of the corporation, and be permitted to participate in the management of the affairs of the association. Voting may be either in person or by proxy, and each member shall be entitled to one vote.

All persons, directors of this corporation at the time of the adoption of these by-laws shall, by reason of past services, become "Active Members" for life.

SEC. 2. *Membership Committee.* The president at the first meeting of the Board of Directors shall appoint, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, a committee of three, to be known as the "Membership Committee," who shall hold office for one year, and until their successors are appointed, and whose duties shall be to solicit and recommend to the Executive Committee persons for membership.

ARTICLE III.

MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL.

SECTION 1. *Directors.* The affairs of the corporation shall be managed and controlled by a Board of twenty-one members to be known

and styled as the Board of Directors, who shall be elected by the "Active Members" of the corporation, on the first Tuesday of April, 1914. Seven of the above members of the Board of Directors are to be elected to hold office for the period of one year and until their successors are elected; seven to be elected to hold office for the period of two years and until their successors are elected; and seven to be elected to hold office for the period of three years and until their successors are elected.

SEC. 2. *Annual meeting.* After the year 1914, there shall be held on the third Tuesday in January of each year, annual meetings of the corporation, for the purpose of electing directors whose terms shall have expired under the provision of the above section, and to transact such other business as may legally come before such meeting.

SEC. 3. *Special meetings.* Special meetings of the members of the corporation may be called by the Secretary upon request of a majority of the board of directors, or upon the written request to the secretary by twenty-one "Active Members" of the corporation, and the call for such meeting shall state the time, place and business to be transacted, and no business other than that contained in the call shall be transacted.

SEC. 4. *Qualification.* Any person of good moral character, a resident of the State of Illinois, and who is an "Active Member" of the corporation, may be elected a director. The vote shall be by ballot, and a majority of those voting shall be necessary for an election. At least one of the directors shall be a member of the faculty of Rush Medical College.

SEC. 5. *Vacancies.* Vacancies on the Board of Directors may be filled by the majority of the remaining members of the Board at any directors' meeting regularly called and held.

SEC. 6. *Officers.* The directors shall elect all the officers of the corporation.

SEC. 7. *Compensation.* No director shall receive a salary or compensation for services as director.

SEC. 8. *Quorum.* Twenty-one "Active Members" of the corporation shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any regular or special meeting thereof.

ARTICLE IV.

MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS, QUORUM, ETC.

SECTION 1. *Directors' meetings.* The Board of Directors shall meet quarterly on the third Tuesdays of January, April, July and October, and the first meeting of said Board shall convene immediately upon the adjournment of the regular annual meeting of the members.

SEC. 2. *Special meetings.* Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the President, and in his absence by the Secretary, on application in writing by a majority of the members of the Board, by mailing to each director, at least three days prior

to the date of such meeting, a written or printed notice, stating the object, time and place of such meeting.

SEC. 3. *Quorum.* A quorum shall consist of seven members of the Board of Directors, but Directors less than a quorum may adjourn the meeting to a future date.

ARTICLE V.

OFFICERS, DUTIES, ETC.

SECTION 1. *Officers.* The officers of the corporation shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Second Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, to be elected by the Board of Directors at its first meeting, and which officers shall hold their respective offices for a period of one year, and until their successors are elected and qualify. The officers so elected shall constitute an, "Executive Committee," which shall meet as often as the conduct of the business of the corporation may require, and shall make a report at each quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors, except the first, and at each annual meeting of the members of the corporation.

SEC. 2. *President.* The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors, and at meetings of the Executive Committee; countersign orders drawn by the secretary on the treasurer, call any special meetings of the Directors or Executive Committees when he may deem it necessary, or whenever he is requested to do so by three Directors.

SEC. 3. *Vice-President.* In the absence of the President, the First Vice-President, and in his absence, the Second Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President. In case of the death, resignation or removal from the State of the President, the First Vice-President shall be ex-officio President, until the end of the term to which the President shall have been elected.

SEC. 4. *Secretary.* The Secretary shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of all meetings of the members, Directors, and Executive Committee; draw all orders for money on the Treasurer; have the custody of the corporate seal, which he shall attach to such documents as may require the seal; make and sign all certificates of election of directors, and see that they are recorded according to law; and keep a correct and revised list of all members of the corporation, and their addresses.

SEC. 5. *Treasurer.* The Treasurer shall have the custody of all moneys belonging to the corporation and shall only disburse the same upon orders, signed by the Secretary and properly countersigned by the President; and funds shall be invested only upon the approval of the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall qualify by giving to the corporation a bond, with security to be approved by the Executive Committee, conditioned for the proper keeping, use, disbursement, investment and transfer to his successor of all moneys, bonds, and other property of the corporation, which may come into his hands as such Treasurer.

SEC. 6. *Fiscal Year.* The fiscal year of the corporation shall begin on the first day of January of each year, and terminate on the last day of December of the same year.

SEC. 7. *Reports.* All officers shall make full and complete reports of their acts and doings in reference to the business of the corporation at the annual meetings of the members of the corporation.

ARTICLE VI.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

SECTION 1. *Finance Committee.* The President at the first meeting of the Board of Directors shall appoint, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, a committee of three to be known as the "Finance Committee," who shall hold office for one year and until their successors are appointed, and whose duties shall be to raise funds for the support and financing of this organization, and shall have power to devise plans for raising the money and providing means for carrying on the work of this corporation, and which committee shall make a report at each meeting of the Board of Directors, except the first, and at the annual meeting of the members of the corporation.

ARTICLE VII.

COMMITTEE ON DISPENSARY WORK, DUTIES, ETC.

SECTION 1. *Dispensary Committee.* The President at the first meeting of the Board of Directors shall appoint, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, a committee of three, to be known as the "Committee on Dispensary Work," who shall hold office for the term of one year and until their successors are appointed. They shall have charge of the daily conduct of the Dispensary, and shall make necessary rules governing the dispensary work and outline the duties of the Physicians connected therewith, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VIII.

ALTERATIONS OF THE BY-LAWS.

SECTION 1. The By-Laws of this corporation may be modified, altered or amended at any annual meeting of the Board of Directors, or at any adjourned session thereof, provided that the party or parties proposing the same shall mail a copy of said proposed amendment to each member of the Board of Directors, at his place of residence, at least one week prior to the meeting at which said proposed amendment is to be offered.

ARTICLE IX.

AUDITING.

SECTION 1. *Auditing.* The books of the Dispensary shall be annually audited by a certified Public Accountant.

ARTICLE X.

RULES.

SECTION 1. *Rules.* Roberts' "Rules of Order" shall be the rules used in the conduct of all meetings.